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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: EFIN CH

SUBJ: CREDITS TO PRC

REF: PEKING 367

1. LAUGHTON CALLED ON ALLEN ON MARCH 8. APART FROM POINTS NOTED IN REFTEL, HE MADE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS OF GENERAL INTEREST:

A) EXPORT CREDITS FROM UK ARE LIMITED BECAUSE ECGD TAKES DIM VIEW OF CREDIT WORTHINESS OF SOME EXPORTERS SINCE THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REPAYMENT IN EVENT PRC

DEFAULTS;

B) HE WAS AWARE OF ONLY TWO CREDITS FROM UK BECAUSE OF THIS PROBLEM;

C) THOUGH JAPANESE EXIM AND FRENCH COFACE MUST TAKE MORE LIBERAL VIEW IN ISSUING GUARANTEES WHEN SIZE OF TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN THOSE COUNTRIES AND PRC IS TAKEN CONFIDENTIAL

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INTO ACCOUNT;

D) BELIEVED THAT FIVE YEAR, 20 PERCENT DOWNPAYMENT TERMS, WERE ESTABLISHED BY EUROPEAN AND JAPANESE EXPORT CREDIT GUARANTY AUTHORITIES AS LIMIST ACCEPTABLE TO THEM; AND E) PRC HAD ASKED FOR EIGHT YEAR TERMS IN PAST --- IT WAS NOT CLEAR WHEN.

2. HE SAID HE WOULD CONTACT CONGEN AGAIN WHEN HE RETURNED, PROBABLY NEXT SPRING. DEAN  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{DEAN}}$ 

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